

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTIES OF POTTER  
AND RANDALL

CITY OF AMARILLO

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August 2012, the Colonies Public Improvement District (PID) Advisory Board met at 1:00 PM at the City of Amarillo, City Hall Building, 509 East 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Third Floor, Room 306, Amarillo, Texas, with the following individuals present:

MEMBERS PRESENT	TOTAL NO. MEETINGS HELD	TOTAL NO. MEETINGS ATTENDED
Joe Norman, Chair	27	25
Tracy Byars	15	15
Eric White	15	11
Craig Bryan	14	11
Lew Bradshaw	14	10

**CITY OF AMARILLO STAFF**  
Kelley Shaw, Planning Director  
Kathleen Collins, Comprehensive Planner

**TURNER LANDARCHITECTURE LLC**  
Cleve Turner      James Shelton  
Jason Haliger

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**for August 22, 2012**

Ms. Collins opened the meeting, established a quorum and conducted the consideration of the following items in the order presented.

ITEM 1: Approval of Minutes for the June 25, 2012 meeting.  
Ms. Collins requested a motion to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2012 meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Bradshaw, seconded by Mr. Bryan, and carried unanimously.

ITEM 2: Consider for recommendation The Colonies, Unit No. 25 entry island improvements bid submittals.  
Ms. Collins stated that two bids were submitted for the entry island improvements and she asked Mr. Turner to review the proposals. Mr. Turner explained that the estimated bid for this project was near \$120,000. Tri-State General Contracting Group submitted a lump sum bid of \$114,119 and Nunn Construction submitted a lump sum bid of \$170,800. Mr. Turner stated that Tri-State General Contracting has performed work for the Colonies previously and have done an acceptable job. He recommended the Board approve their submittal. With that, Mr. Bryan moved and Mr. Byars seconded a motion to accept the bid submitted by Tri-State General Contracting Group for the price of \$114,119. Motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 3: Consider the option of using hybrid Bermuda grass in place of Fescue for the Colonies Unit No. 18 & 45 project.  
During the June 25<sup>th</sup> PID Advisory Board meeting, action on an add alternate to replace Fescue grass with hybrid Bermuda grass within New England Parkway's median was reserved in order to obtain additional information on hybrid Bermuda grass. It was noted that benefits to this alternative may include reduced watering and overall maintenance. However, the growing season of hybrid Bermuda grass is shorter than that of Fescue.

Due to the request for more information, Mr. Turner provided plug samples of both hybrid Bermuda and Fescue grasses. Both were grown in Amarillo. Mr. Turner also provided several pages of information comparing and contrasting both grass types. He explained that both grasses require the same amount of fertilizer, although hybrid Bermuda grass requires fertilizer applications later in the year than that of Fescue grass. He went on to explain the major difference shown in the watering schedule. Hybrid Bermuda grass can thrive on half the amount of the water as Fescue in an average growing season. Mr. Bryan commented that he believed Deed Restrictions limited Fescue grass on all lots. He also commented that he was not opposed to Hybrid Bermuda grass, but was against changing the appearance within a long linear run like New England Parkway. Mr. Bradshaw questioned if the different grass type were approved, would maintenance staff incorporate different watering and fertilizing schedule? Mr. Shaw stated that the watering and fertilizing schedules were likely to remain the same. After much discussion, Mr. Bryan moved to continue using Fescue grass to maintain continuity within the development. Mr. Byars seconded the motion and it was approved.

ITEM 4: Discuss future agenda items.  
None